

## REMARKS

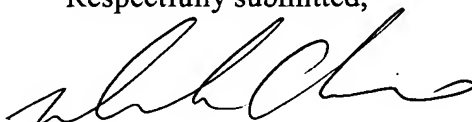
The specification is amended above to insert a reference to related cases.

The claims have been amended above to remove multiple dependencies, and to better format the claims for accepted US Patent practice.

No amendment of inventorship is necessitated by these amendments.

Early allowance of the claims is requested. Should the Examiner believe that a conference with applicants' attorney would advance prosecution of this application, he is respectfully invited to call applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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